

THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF

MASONS  
OF  
LONDON



CHARTER



# **THE CHARTER OF THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF MASONS OF LONDON**

The Charter was granted by King Charles II on 17th December 1677. The original of this Charter is held in the Public Records Office at Kew in London.

King James II confiscated the original Charter and replaced it with one of his own which varied the terms and contained, *inter alia*, a provision that the Court of the Company must all be members of the Church of England and communicants. This Charter is dated 9th February 1686 and was purchased at a cost of £125.

The Company evidently preferred the original grant and an Exemplification of the original grant was obtained under the Privy Seal of Queen Anne in which the whole text of the Charter of King Charles II is recited. This Charter is dated 1st June 1702 and is kept in the records of the City of London in Guildhall.

This booklet contains a copy of the original 1677 Charter.

ANNA DEI GRATIA ANGLIE SCOTIE Francie et hiubie  
Regina fider defensor &c. OMMINEZ ad quos psentes Ire  
nre pvenint Saltm INSPEVIMUS Irrotulamen quazdam Iraz  
paten de Incorpacoe geren dat apud Westm decimo septimo  
die Decembris Anno Regui unp Regis Caroli scdi vicesuno  
nono Magro Guardian Assistanc & Cominitat Lapidar de  
London fact & confess in Our Cancellar ure Irropilate ac  
ibui de Recordo remannen in hec verba CHARLES the SEC-  
OND by the Grace of God of England Scotland France &  
Ireland King Defender of he Faith &c. TO ALL TO WHOM  
these Presents shall come Greeting WHEREAS in and by a  
Statute made in the fifth yeare of the Reigne of Queen  
Elizabeth the Art or occupacon of a Mason is reckoned as a  
distinct Art or occupacon of itt selfe and by the same Art all  
and every person and persons usseing or exercising the said  
Art or occupacon is and are enabled and may be compelled  
to take Apprentices to be taught and instructed in that occu-  
pacon in manner and forme as other Artificers and  
Handicrafts Men in the same Art particularly are enabled or  
may be compelled to doe AND WHEREAS the Masters  
Wardens and Assistants of the Company of Masons London  
by their humble Petition to us have prayed that Wee would be  
gratiouly pleased by our letters Patent under Our greate  
Seale of England to Incorporate them into a Body Politick to  
have perpetuall Succession and to grant them such liberties  
powers and priviledges as to us in our princely Wisdome  
shall seeme requisite and necessary for the better order rule  
and government of the said Company and the Members  
thereof AND WEE willing and intending the support and  
continuance of the said Company and the Improvement of  
the said Art or Mistery of Masons by all just and lawfull  
meanes and to the end they may be empowered to suppresse  
and reforme all abuses practised by persons who take upon  
them without sufficient skill and knowledge to worke att the  
Masons Trade to the great damage of our Subjects And that  
the said Art and Mistery of Masons within the said City and  
places hereinafter menconed may from henceforth be

artificially and truly exercised KNOWE YEE therefore that  
Wee of our especiall grace certaine knowledge and meere  
mocon have willed ordeyned constituted declared and  
granted and by these psents for us our heires and Successors  
do will ordeyne constitute declare and grant That all and sin-  
gular Masons Freemen of our said Citty of London and all  
other our Subjects that now doe or hereafter shall use the  
same Trade Art or Mistery within our Citties of London or  
Westminster in the Suburbs of the same Citties or seaven  
Miles Compasse of the same on every side thereof by virtue  
of these psents shalbe one Body Incorporate and politick in  
deed and in name by the Name of Master Wardens Assistants  
and Comminalty of the Art or Mistery of Masons of the Citty  
London and them by the name of Master Wardens Assistants  
and Commonalty of the Company of Masons of the Citty of  
London Wee doe by these Presents for us our heires and suc-  
cessors really and fully make ordeine create erect constitute  
and declare one Body Corporate and Politick by the name  
aforesaid And that by the same name they and their  
Successors shall and may have perpetuall succession And  
that they and their Successors by the same name of Master  
Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the Company of  
Masons shall be for ever hereafter persons able and capable  
in Law to have take purchase hold receive possesse and  
enjoy to them and their Successors as well of us as our heires  
and Successors as of any other person or persons whatsoever  
as well any Manors lands tenements Liberties Jurisdiccons  
Franchises Rents Revercons priviledges and other heredita-  
ments to them and their Successors of what kind nature or  
quality soever they be in fee or perpetuity or for terme of  
Life or lives or yeares or otherwise in what manner or sort  
soever the Statute of Mortmaine or any other Statute Law  
Usage or Custome to the contrary in anywise notwithstanding  
as also all and singuler Goods Chattels and other things  
whatsoever and the same lands tenements Rents Revercons  
Goods and Chattels and other the Premisses and every par-  
cell thereof to sell againe demise and grant and to make seale

and accomplish all Deeds Evidences and Writeings of for or concerning the same and every part thereof in that behalfe needfull necessary or convenient to be had or made AND that by the same name of Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the said Art and Mistery of Masons of the City of London they shall and may be persons able and capable in Law to plead and be impleaded answeres and be answered defend and be defended in any our Courts or places whatsoever in all and all manner of complaints pleas causes matters and demands of whatsoever kind of nature they be in the same manner and forme as other our liege people and Subjects of this Our Realme of England being alsoe persons able and capable in Law may plead and be impleaded answeres and be answered defend and be defended have purchase receive and take possesse give grant letts sett assigne or dispose of And that they the said Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the Company of Masons of the City of London and their Successors for ever hereafter shall and may have a Comon Seale to serve for the Causes and Businesses of the said Company And that it shall and may be lawfull to and for them and their Successors to breake change alter and make new the said Seale from time to time att their pleasure as they and their Successors shall think fitt AND FURTHER Wee will and ordeine and by these presents for us our heires and Successors doe give and grant unto the said Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the Company of Masons of the City of London and to their Successors for ever that for ever hereafter there shall be some one of the said Company in manner and forme hereunder in these presents menconed to be chosen and named who Shalbe and shalbe called the Master of the said Company of Masons of the said City of London And likewise that there shall be and may be two of the said Company and Corporacon in manner and forme hereafter in these Presents menconed to be chosen and named who shalbe and shalbe called the Wardens of the Company of Masons of the City of London AND ALSOE that there shall

or may be foure and twenty or more of the said Company according to the discreton of the Master and Wardens for the time being in manner and forme hereafter in these presents expressed to be named and chosen which shalbe and shalbe called the Assistants of the said Company of Masons of the City of London and from time to time shall be assisting and ayding to the said Master and Wardens of the said Company And that the said Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the said Company of Masons of the City of London for the time being or any eight or more of them whereof the Master and one of the Wardens for the time being to be allways two shall and may have full power and authority by vertue of these presents To make constitute ordeine and sett downe from time to time and alsoe from time to time to alter change amend and make new such reasonable Laws Acts Orders Ordinances and Constitucons in writeing which to them or any eight or more of them as aforesaid whereof the Master and one of the Wardens for the time being to be two shall seeme good necessary and expedient and according to their best discrecons for touching and concerning the Improvement of the said Trade Arte or Mistery of Masons and the good order rule and government of the said Company and Corporacon and every Member thereof and for punishment and reformacon of such abuses deceipts falsities and other wrongful practices and misdemeanors from time to time to be committed used or practised in their Trade or in anything appurteyning or in anywise belonging to the art or Mistery of Masons whereby our loving Subjects may be wronged dampnified or abused or any other wrong conzenage or deceipt or abuse offered or used in the said Trade att any time whatsoever within the said Citties of London and Westminster and the Liberties thereof or within any other place or places within the Limitts aforesaid AND ALSOE for defraying and bearing the Publick and necessary charge of the said Company and Corporation and for declaracon after what manner and fforme the said Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the said Company

and their Successors and all and every other person and persons that now doe or hereafter shall lawfully use or exercise the said Trade Art or Mystery of Masons within our said Citties of London and Westminster and the Liberties thereof or within seaven Miles compasse of the same shall behave demeane and carry themselves either in or concerning their said Trade for the publick good and comon pfitt of all our Loveing Subjects by whom the said Artists shall be employed and all other matters and things touching the improvement of the said Trade Art or Mistery And that the said Master Wardens and Assistants for the time being or any eight or more of them (whereof the Master and one of the Wardens for the time being to be allwayes two) shall have power and authority to make sett ordeine impose and lymitt such reasonable penalties by mulcts and amerciaments or by any other lawfull wayes and meanes whatsoever upon all offenders or breakers of any such Laws Ordinances Orders and Constitucons by them soe made and established as aforesaid as to them or any eight or more of them as aforesaid shall seeme necessary reasonable fitt and convenient to be made sett imposed limitted and pvided for the keeping of the same Laws Ordinances Orders and Constitucons And that the same Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the said Company of the Masons of the City of London and their Successors shall and may from time to time by vertue of these pssents have take and recover the same penalties Mulcts and amerciaments to their owne onely use by Distresse Action of Debt or any other wayes or meanes according to Law without the lett or hinderance of us our heires or successors and without giveing or rendering any account or thing to us our heires or successors for the same or any part thereof ALL which Laws Acts order Ordinances and Constitucons soe to be made altered or new made as is aforesaid WEE doe by these Presents for us our heires and successors confirme ratifye and establish AND ALSOE will and Comand to be from time to time observed and kept under the paines and penalties to be therein conteyned Soe

always as the same Laws Statutes Ordinances and Constitucons Penalties Mulcts and amerciaments as is aforesaid be reasonable and not repugnant or contrary but as neare as may be agreeable to the Laws and Statutes of this Our Realme of England and not derogatory to Our Prerogative Royall nor to the Priviledges Customes or usages of our City of London and be first confirmed according to the Statute in that behalfe and alsoe presented to and allowed of by the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen of Our said City and Inrolled amongst the Records of the said City AND for the better executing of this Our Grant in that behalfe Wee have assigned named constituted and made And by these Pssents for us our heires and successors DOE assigne name constitute and make our welbeloved subject Joshua Marshall Esquire Our Master Mason to be the first and present Master of the said Company of Masons of the City of London to continue in the said Office untill the fourteenth day of June which shall be in the yeare of Our Lord God One thousand six hundred seventy eight (if hee shall soe long live) and from thence until One other of the said Company shall be chosen and named unto the Office of Master of the said Company and Corporacon in due manner according to the Ordinances and provisions hereafter in these pssents expressed and menconed unlesse hee shall in the meane time upon just cause be removed from the said Office of Master AND ALSO wee have assigned named constituted and made And by these pssents for us our heires and successors doe assigne name constitute and make our welbeloved subjects Leonard Noble and John Parsons to be the first and present Wardens of the said Company and Corporacon To continue in the said Office of Wardens untill the said fourteenth day of June which shall bee in the said Yeare of our Lord One thousand six hundred seventy eight (if they the said Leonard Noble and John Parsons shall soe long live) and shall not for some just cause in the meane time be lawfully removed from their Offices and from thence untill two other of the said Company and Corporacon be chosen unto the said Office of

Wardens of the said Company and Corporacon according to the Ordinances and provisions in these Presents expressed and declared AND WEE have assigned named constituted and made and by these presents for us Our heires and successors doe assign name constitute and appoint our welbeloved Subjects John Young Senior Thomas Shorthose Thomas Shadbolt James Bryon James Masters James Buffey Thomas Cartwright Richard Crooke Thomas Barrow Stephen Bumpsted Abraham Story Nicholas Young Henery Wilson John Shorthose Thomas Knight William Hamond John Grove William Stanton John Settle John Thompson Thomas Strong John Young Junior Michaell Todd and Richard Banks to be the first and present Assistants of the said Company and Corporacon to continue in the said Office of Assistants during their naturall lives respectively unlesse they or any of them shall misbehave him or themselves in their said Offices or for some other lawfull or reasonable cause shall be removed AND ALSOE that the said Joshua Marshall Leonard Noble and John Parsons from and after such time as they or any of them shall leave and have discharged their said severall Offices shall during their respective lives be Assistants of the said Company and Corporacon unlesse they or any of them shall misbehave him or themselves in the said Office of Assistants or for some other reasonable or lawfull cause shall be removed from the same AND our Will and pleasure is & Wee doe hereby authorise appoint and require That the said first and present Master and Wardens by us nominated as aforesaid shall every of them respectively take their Corporate Oathes before the Lord Mayor of the City of London for the time being well and truely to execute their said severall and respective Offices of Master and Wardens according to the true meaning of these presents before hee or they take upon them the exercise or execution of their said Offices or Places To which said Lord Mayor wee doe by these Psents give power and authority to administer the said Oathes accordingly And that the said Master and Wardens soe being sworne the said Master or one or more of the said

Wardens shall have power and authority by virtue of these pssents to give unto all and every the persons aforesaid named to be the first Assistants of the said Company and Corporacon on Oath well and truely to execute their said Offices according to the true meaning of these pssents before they the said Assistants take upon them the exercise or execucon of their said Places of Assistants AND FURTHER Wee will and by these Pssents for us our heires and successors doe grant unto the said Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the Company of Masons of the City of London and to their Successors That they or the greater number of them whereof the Master and one of the Wardens for the time being to be always two from time to time for ever hereafter shall have full power and authority by vertue of these Pssents to assemble and meet together once in every yeare in their Comon Hall or other convenient place upon the fourteenth day of June if itt be not Sunday and if itt be Sunday then upon the next day after to elect and nominate either the last pceeding Master or one of the Wardens or Assistants of the said Company and Corporacon of Masons of the City of London to be Master of the said Company and Corporacon for one whole yeare from thence next ensuing and from thence untill one other of the Wardens or Assistants of the same Company or Corporacon be chosen into the said Office of Master of the said Company and Corporacon according to the Ordinances and Provisions in these Presents expressed and declared And that he which shall be soe chosen and named into the said Office of Master before hee be admitted to enter into the execucon of the said Office of Master of the said Company and Corporacon shall take his oath before the last Master of the said Company and Corporacon his Pdecessor & one or both of the last Wardens of the said Company and Corporacon for the time being well and truly to execute the said Office of Master of the said Art or Mistery of Masons in all things concerning the said Office To which said last Master and one or more of the Wardens of the said Company for the time being Wee doe for us our

heires and successors give full power and authority to administer the said Oath to the said Master accordingly And that after the said Oath soe to be taken as aforesaid hee shall have and exercise the said Office of Master for one whole yeare and from thence for soe long time and untill one of the said Wardens or Assistants bee chosen and sworne into the said Office of Master as aforesaid (if he shall soe long live) and shall not in the mean time for just cause be removed from his office of Master AND LIKEWISE that they shall or may elect nominate and chuse two other out of the said then remaining Wardens and Assistants to be Wardens of the said Company and Corporacon for one whole year from thence next ensuing for soe long time and untill two other of the said then remaining Wardens and Assistants be chosen into the said Office of Wardens of the same Company and Corporacon according the Ordinances and pvisions in these psents menconed expressed and declared and they which shall be soe chosen and named unto the Offices of Wardens of the said Company and Corporacon before they be admitted to enter into the said Office shall take their Corporate Oaths before the preceding Master and Wardens of the same Corporacon or any two of them well and truely to execute the said Offices of Wardens in all things touching and concerning the same Office To which said Master and last Wardens or any two of them Wee doe give full power and authority to administer the said Oath to the said Wardens accordingly & after the Oath and Oathes soe as aforesaid taken they shall and may exercise the said Offices of Wardens for one whole yeare then next ensuing and from thence untill two others of the said Wardens and Assistants be chosen and sworne unto the said Offices of Wardens of the same Company and Corporacon in manner and forme before in these pssents expressed and declared AND FURTHER Wee will and by these Pssets for us our heires and successors doe grant unto the said Master Wardens Assistants and Comonalty of the Company of Masons of the City of London and to their Successors for ever that if itt shall happen the said Master

and Wardens of the said Company or Corporacon for the time being or any of them att any time within one yeare after that they or any of them be chosen unto his or their Office or Offices to decease or be removed from his or their Office or Offices which said Master and Wardens or any of them Wee will shall be removeable and removed by the greater number of the said Master Wardens and Assistants of the said Company and Corporacon for the time being whereof the Master and one of the Wardens for the time being to be always two for evill Government or misbehaviour or any other lawfull and reasonable cause That then and soe often itt shall and may be lawfull to and for such and soe many of the Master Wardens and Assistants which shall be liveing and remaining or the greater number of them as is aforesaid att their pleasures to choose and sweare other or others of the said Wardens or Assistants to be Master or Wardens of the same Company and Corporacon according to the Ordinances and Provisions before in these Pssents expssed and declared to execute and exercise the said Offices of Master and Wardens of the said Corporacon respectively untill the fourteenth day of June then next following and from thence untill some others be chosen in his or their stead or they be removed or dye as aforesaid the said Master and Warden or Wardens soe to be elected and chosen takeing his and their Corporate oath and oaths in manner and forme as is aforesaid and so often as the case shall require AND MOREOVER Wee will and by these Presents for us our heires and Successors doe give and grant unto the said Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the Company of Masons of the City of London and to their Successors that when ever itt shall happen any one of the Assistants of the Company and Corporacon to dye or be removed from his or their Office or Offices all which Assistants and every or any of them We will shall be removeable and removed by the greater part of the sd Master Wardens and Assistants of the said Company and Corporacon for the time being whereof the Master and one

of the Wardens for the time being to be always two for evill Government and misbehaviour or for any other lawfull or reasonable cause That then and soe often itt shall and may be lawfull to and for the Master Wardens and the remaining part of the Assistants which shall then survive or remaine or any eight of them (whereof the Master and one of the Wardens for the time being to be allways two) att their wills and pleasures from time to time to choose and name or more other or others of the said Company or Corporacon to be Assistant or Assistants of the same Company or Corporacon in his or their place or stead which shall soe happen to die or be removed as is aforesaid And that hee or they after they be soe chosen and named to be Assistant or Assistants of the said Company or Corporacon shall take their Corporate Oaths before the Master and Wardens of the same Company and Corporacon or any or more of them for the time being well and truely to execute the said Office or Offices of Assistant or Assistants To which said Master and Wardens or one or more of them Wee doe by these Pssents give full power and authority to administer the said Oath accordingly And for the better rule and Government of all and singular persons which now doe or hereafter shall lawfully use the Trade Art or Mistery of Mason or any part thereof within the said Society and Corporacon Wee doe by these Presents for us our heirs and successors give and grant unto the Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the said Company of Masons that the said Master Wardens and Assistants for the time being or any five or more of them whereof the Master and one of the Wardens for the time being to be allways two shall have full power and authority in lawfull manner att all convenient times in the day as well by Land as by Water in any place or places within the Citties of London and Westminster and the Liberties thereof or within seaven Miles of the said City of London where any stones to be used in the Art or Mistery of Masonry shall be brought or laid to search and see whether the same be of due goodnesse measure length and thicknesse and whether the same be well and sufficiently

wrought and if any such stones of what nature or quality soever att any time upon and after such view and search shall be duelly and legally found to be ill wrought and not amended att the charges of the Owner before the same be putt to sayle or that any of them are soe faulty that they cannot be amended and made good in assize thickness and goodnesse that then the same shall be disposed of according to Law And wee doe alsoe further grant to the said Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the said Company That the said Master Wardens and Assistants of the said Company for the time being or any eight or more of them shall have full power and liberty under the Comon Seale of the said Company from time to time to constitute and depute such and soe many fitt persons as they in their discrecons shall approve of & choose to be their Deputies or Agents to make and execute all views and searches and to act and doe all matters and things thereunto relateing as fully as the said Master and Assistants or any of them are by these Presents impowered to make execute doe and performe AND WEE doe by these Presents for us our heires and successors give full power and authority to the said Master and one or both of the Wardens for the time being to administer all and every such fitt Oath & Oaths to all and every Member and Members of the said Society as shall according to Law be approved and allowed of in order to the good Government of the said Corporacon and the improvement of the said Trade without further or other Warrant or Warrants in that behalfe from us our heires or Successors to be pcured or obteyned AND FURTHER wee will and by these Pssents for us our heires and Successors doe grant unto the said Master Wardens Assistants and Commonalty of the Company of Masons of the City of London and to theire Successors that the Master Wardens and Assistants for the time being or any eight of them shall and may from time to time nominate elect chuse and constitute a Clarke Beadle and other Officers to serve for the Affaires of the said Company and to be serviceable to and attendant on the said Master Wardens and

Assistants in all matters touching the same and to allow the said Clerke Beadle and other Officers respectively such Sallaries Fees and Rewards as they shall think fitt and them or any or either of them respectively for reasonable and just cause to displace and remove and other persons in their place to chuse and elect Which said Clerke Beadle and Officers soe elected and constituted before they be admitted to the Execucon of their said Offices before the Master Wardens and Assistants of the said Company for the time being or two or more of them shall take their Corporate Oaths well faithfully and honestly to demeane and behave themselves in the execucon of their Offices respectively To which said Master Warden and Assistants or any two or more of them wee doe hereby give power and authority to administer such like Oaths as well to the said Clerke Beadle and other Officers as to all other person or persons which shall from time to time be admitted into the said Company AND WEE doe hereby nominate appoint and confirme our Trusty and Welbeloved Subject Samuell Draper of London Scrivener to be the first and present Clerke of the said Company To hold and enjoy the said office of Clerke dureing such time & soe long as hee the said Samuell Draper shall well demeane himselfe therein and to be exercised by himselfe or his sufficient Deputy in that behalfe & to be sworne according to the power & authority in that behalfe herein before expssed AND for as much as Wee are informed that many and great deceipts frauds and abuses are dayly used and practised chiefly by sundry persons who never duely served as Apprentices to the said Art or Mistery of a Mason & having noe Judgment or Skill therein Wee therefore intending the speedy reformaton of the said abuses doe ordeine and firmly charge & comand that noe person or persons whatsoever from henceforth doe use exercise or practice the Art or Mistery of a Mason either as Master or Journeyman unlesse hee or they shall first have served as an Apprentice or Apprentices for the space of seven yeares att the least unto a Freeman of the said Company or to some other Person lawfully useing or

exerciseing the Art or Mistery of a Mason upon paine of being precded against according to the Laws and Statutes of this Our Realme AND considering that the good order and honest practice of the Art and Mistery aforesaid will conduce much to the good & benefitt of the Artists of the said Society being for the most part under the Government of the said City of London the Offenders in the said Trade are like to be more effectually punished & those that doe use or exercise the same as they ought to doe the better encouraged WEE DOE hereby declare our Will and Pleasure to be That the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of the City of London for the time being doe cause and allow these our Letters Patents to be Inrolled within the Comon Chamber of the said Citty amongst the Records thereof to the intent that those that are and shall be Freemen of London and Members of the said Company of Masons may be subject to the Government of the said Citty & may enjoy the benefitt thereof AND FURTHER WEE WILL & do by these Pssents for us our heires and successors doe firmly charge and comand all & singular Justices of the Peace Mayors Sheriffes Bayliffs Constables and other Officers & Ministers of us our heires and successors to whom itt shall apperteyne that they be and shall be ayding & assisting to the aforesaid Master Wardens & Assistants for the time being & the Deputy & Deputies of the said Master and Wardens for the timebeing respectively in all things touching the powers & authorities hereby granted according to our Pleasure herein before declared AND MOREOVER Wee will and by these pssents for us our heires & Successors doe grant unto the aforesaid Master Warden Assistants & Commonalty & their Successors that these pssents or the Inrollment of the same & all & singular other matters & things therein conteined from time to time shall be good firme & effectuall in the Law in & by all things according to the true intent and meaning thereof & shall be expounded & construed beneficially & largely for the benefitt & advantage of the aforesaid Master Wardens Assistants & Commonalty & theire Successors

PROVIDED ALWAYS & Our Royal Will & Pleasure is, That nothing in these lres Patent conteind shall extend or be construed to extend to the purdice obstruceon or hinderance of the erecting building & finishing of our Cathedrall Church of Saint Paul within our City of London or any other Church within the same City which were formerly burnt downe by the late dreadfull Fire which happened in London PROVIDED FURTHER & OUR WILL & PLEASURE is that the Master Wardens & Assistants of the said Company for the time being and all other person & persons to be from time to time admitted into or employed by the said Society before they be admitted to enter upon the execucon of their respective Offices & Places or become Members of the said Society by admittance thereunto shall severally take the Oaths of Allegiance & Supremacy before the Master & Wardens for the time being or two of them whereof the Master to be one save onely in the Case of Master who shall take the said Oaths before the Wardens for the time being to whome Wee doe hereby give full power & authority to administer the same oaths accordingly IN WITNESSE &c. WITNESSE our selfe att Westminster the seaventeenth day of December in the Twenty ninth yeare of our Reigne

BY WRIT OF PRIVY SEALE.

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